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AUTO DEATHS CONTINUE

The nation reported automobile traffic fatalities in June amounting to 1,920, and that figure raised to 11,160 the number of persons who had met an untimely end on highways of the nation since the beginning of the year. Nine of the June total were reported from Florida.

Gasoline and tire rationing were expected to reduce the nation's highway fatalities to a minimum. But the accidents have continued straight through the months since Pearl Harbor at an astonishing and disgraceful rate. A part, but probably a small part, might be attributed to faulty vehicles that would in normal times be discarded or kept in better repair. But they cannot account for any major portion of the 11,160 new graves since January 1st.

Traffic engineers, automobile manufacturers and highway safety officials will have to work together in the years ahead to diminish loss of life on the highways. We can't afford to continue this awful toll of lives.—Tusculum Star-Advocate.

EVILS OF DRINK

Among the stories which have crossed the ocean about those fabulous British commandos is this tale of one who had spent a long evening with friends at the village inn. They showed him a quick way home across the fields, forgetting that the local bull was loose.

The bull, attacked, not recognizing the commando's red beret. The unfortunate animal was gripped by the horns and lunged about the field until it managed to break free and bolt.

"Pity I had those last two drinks," said soldier-matador. "I ought to have said 'snap off his life'."—Clewiston News.

MAKES NEWS

Editor of the Houston Chronicle, half-ranzed about the paper

and a four-column cut on a married and we carried a picture of a soldier who got a divorce cross," she was told.

Editorial member of the staff said men are much harder to get than women.—Editor & Publisher.

SEMINOLE INDIAN HELP

At Lake Placid, where central Florida is ready to merge into south Florida, the growing of lilies has become an industry worth talking about.

When Miss Jennie Reninger got ready to harvest her crop of bulbs last year, she turned to Seminole Indians for help. The

labor shortage was acute and until she thought of turning to the Seminoles, she feared she might lose the crop.

The Seminole came up and harvested the crop as they had promised. Miss Reninger found them to be excellent workers. They did their work quietly, thoroughly and methodically. Men, Squaws and younguns came up from the Everglades. The Indians even brought their pigs along.

When they had harvested last year's crop, they told Miss Reninger they wanted to come back again this year. Then they went back into their Everglades habitat.

During the months that followed, Miss Reninger heard not one word from them. She became a bit worried. Perhaps they wouldn't show up and the crop this year would be lost.

One week before time to begin the harvest, up drove a Seminole man into Miss Reninger's yard and told her ably, relates the Miami Herald, that the group from his tribe would report for work as promised. They reported—squaws, papposes, pigs and all—and Miss Reninger is saying some mighty fine things about the faithfulness of Seminole workers.—Lakeland Ledger.

ANOTHER ARGUMENT

Another one of those arguments has been started. Tampa and Fort Myers have never "got together" to decide once and for all where Desoto landed on Florida's west coast.

Now comes David C. True of the South Florida Historical association. He has started something by declaring that Ponce de Leon did not land at St. Augustine. In fact, Mr. True (what's in a name?) cites a historical text to show the Spanish explorer landed on Matecumbe and Key Largo then at Chasquigua (Miami) before getting up around the site of St. Augustine.

Mr. True quotes a history by Antonia Herrera, which says Ponce de Leon landed at 30 degrees eight minutes, about 30 miles, south of what is now St. Augustine. The history contains a map, which locates St. Augustine at 30 degrees 30 minutes north latitude. This, says Mr. True, is considerably north of where the Ancient City is.

We have just had a transportation session in Tallahassee. Now this. What a summer!—Ocala Star-Banner.

GOOD AS NEW

"You got a good-looking kid, Bill."

"Yeah! Bought it five years ago, had it cleaned three times, changed it twice in restaurants, once at a Rotary lunch—and it's still good as new."—(The Jackson, Mo.) Jacksonian.

WRONG IMPRESSION

Coming out of the ether after his operation, the patient found the blinds of his hospital room drawn, and quickly "summoned" the doctor.

"Why all the blinds down, Doc?" he demanded.

"Well, there's a big fire burning across the street," explained the urgence, "and I didn't want you to wake up and think your operation was a failure."—Coronet.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

By Russel Kay

I suppose any guy dumb enough to wait a lot of time chasing fish around Tampa Bay but with the coming of rationed gas and restricted areas, I sold it and thought I had given up fishing for the duration.

I was all right until Uncle John comes down from New Jersey and nothing to do, he's got to go fishin'. He is the kind of a year that just naturally talks, eats, sleeps and dreams fish. I resisted him as long as I could, but he got under my wife's side. She says, "Why don't you take John out on the bay, it'd do you good."

Well, John's fishin' tackle consists of a half-dozen mouse-fished minnow and a couple of rusty hooks, so I climb up in the back seat of my assortment of rods, reels, tackle boxes and what have you. It is really amazing what a helluva mess a job of fishing tackle can get tied into when left alone in a hot attic for two or three years. The rods were warped, the reels frozen and the lines rotten.

On well, I would just go down to the tackle shop and get a couple of new rods and reels and what ever else we might need. The guy behind the counter was just about as helpful as the average butcher.

The only kind of rod you can buy nowadays is one that is made in a factory and a reel is a condition you acquire in a saloon.

Well, I patch up my old stuff the best I can, arrange for a boat and John and I set out to give the unsuspecting fish a tough day. Just why a guy thinks he has to get up before daylight to go fishin' I've never been able to figure out.

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WANTED: Experienced Angler

but that seems to be rule "one" so, of course, we observed it.

I've gone bail for a lot of folks in my time but got bail for a boat is something else again, especially at the crack of dawn with a flock of friendly mosquitoes all over the place tryin' to be helpful.

We try trollin' for awhile, but that was no go for you couldn't get your open ten feet behind your boat before you would start harvestin' a mess of grass. The whole blamed bay was lousy with the stuff, it looked like somebody had mowed the lawn and then failed to rake it.

So we decide we'll go inshore and try casting for trout. I don't know whether you ever tried casting with a concrete mixer for a reel or not but I can tell you it will bring out the choicest profanity imaginable. About every cast I'd get a grand and glorious backlash and before I could get the line straightened out the bait would drift around and get tangled with the propeller.

After an hour or so of this, having succeeded in breaking two rods and losing our anchor, we decided to quit fishin' 'round and settle down for a spell of old fashioned fishing with cut bait and hand lines. So we moved over in the channel. Being what the better out-door magazines term a "Sportsman", I had always excelled at this kind of angling. I was one of those smart guys that went for the "game" fish. But I'd promised John a day's fishin' and by Allah, I'd see that he got it even if we were reduced to going after them with popples and a spear.

To start with we tied up to the bridge with the tide swirling beneath it and as fast as we could got our lines with bait, hook and sinker and set 'em to the bottom. They would spray themselves affectionately around the piling. Now and then, if sheer

luck and awkwardness enabled you to keep your line close to the piling, you would be rewarded with gentle tugs on your bait, which served to signify that a crab or, cat fish had the proper sense of appreciation and would welcome a second helping.

And this just goes on and on while you sit in a bouncing boat and unappetizingly accumulate sunshine until you look and feel like a broiled Big West crawfish. This column isn't copyrighted and

the Chamber of Commerce is welcome to it, but I imagine they will go right on showing pictures of long strings of fish, with the caption "Caught in Tampa Bay."

The Florida Beer Industry association was formed in Miami recently following an all day session at the Honey-Palm Hotel. William H. Hitt of West Palm Beach was elected president of the group and committee was appointed to draw up charter for the new organization.

Thanks to your support of the National War Fund, 2,000 headlines entertainers are bringing a laugh and a lift to our fighting men and women in combat zones, in hospitals, in camps and stations at home.

G. I.'s on remote Pacific islands will have plenty of soft drinks this year. Government needs call for citrus produce, according to W. C. Stolk, vice president of the American Can Company.

Doin' Any Fishing? . . . We've Got The Tackle

Maybe our supply of tackle isn't as complete as it was a few years back—but, we still have enough of the necessary equipment to make your fishing trip worth while.

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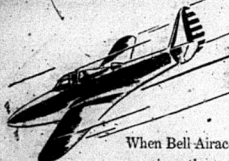
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Cinematic Chatter

By Malcolm Miller

I knew when I went to view "Brewster Millions" this last weekend that it was going to be a comedy of the upper brackets, because I had played this piece on the legitimate stage back in the

early 20's, when it had just come off Broadway, after a very successful run, and was released for dramatic stock companies. They couldn't have selected a better cast to portray the characters in this piece. Here they are: Dennis O'Keefe as Brewster, Helen Walker as his fiancée, Edith "Rochester" Anderson, as Jackson his valet, June Haver,

whom he starred, Gale Patrick, who helped him spend his money, Joe Sawyer, Thurston Hall as his buddies and Mischa Auer, Nana Bryant, John Littel, Herbert Rudley, Neil Hamilton, Byron Foulger, Barbara Pepper and Joseph Crehan, his nin lesser, but very important parts.

Story is based on the famous novel by George Barr McCutcheon and is the story of a young man who, returns from the war to find that a relative has left him \$7,000,000 on condition that he spend \$1,000,000 within sixty days. According to the will he cannot tell his fiancée about it. Complications surely arise over this clause in the will and everything he turns his hand to in the hope of losing, pays off huge dividends. But at the finish of the show he does just manage to come under the wire a winner, after spending the last two dollars he possesses.

Believe me folks, this is a homey of a show!

There is a bit of a mystery for your Thursday-Evening offering, the kind that is designed to raise all of the whiskers you have left on the crown of your pate . . . and, according to press books, it does that very thing.

This one is "The Mad Ghost" and it stars Evelyn Ankers and David Bruce, with Turhan Bey, George Zucco, Robert Armstrong and Rose Hobart in the featured roles.

A doctor discovers a gas formula that will save victims of poison

gas . . . the body is dead but the mind lives on. In order to carry out further experiments he resorts to robbing graves for bodies to carry on his work with. A trap is set and the fellow caught just in time to save a young girl.

On the same bill is "Tabiti Nights" with Jinx Falkenberg and Dave O'Brien starred and Mary Treen, Carole Matthews, Eddie Bruce and the Four Vagabonds in support.

According to the story a band leader who is the son of a Maori princess decides to take his band back to his native island. There he discovers his mother has been betrothed him to a girl he has never seen. He meets her, but is unaware of her identity, and she of his. They fall in love and try to avoid the projected marriage until finally the misapprehension is cleared up, and the two, wed.

Thursday-Friday brings a double feature, with the first one up "Detective Kitty O'Day" which stars Jean Parker and Tim Ryan, and features Peter Cookson and Veda Ann Borg.

This one is a detective murder mystery that will prove interesting to all lovers of this type of story or show. Jean Parker persuades two detectives to permit her to enter the case and solves the mystery in good time.

"Bowery to Broadway" is the next one up. It is a comedy which stars Maria Montez, Jack Oakie and Turhan Bey and features Donald Cook, Ann Rytche, Louise Albritton, Frank McHugh, Rosemary

DeCamp, Leo Carrillo, Andy Devine, Evelyn Ankers, Thomas Gomez, Richard Lane, George Dolenz, Mantan Moreland, Maude Eburne and Robert Warwick.

This one is definitely a comedy with much stress laid on the variety stage of the era of this story. Every member of the cast equit themselves in their particular roles and the show moves with a pace that leaves you a trifle breathless at the finish.

Saturday brings "Blocked Trails" with the Three Mesquites as its principal players. It is a Western show and will be about the average that one sees on Saturday when the members of the Six Shooters Gang meet. See you at the movies—Mal.

Long Time Dream For Plane Safety May Be Fulfilled

MIAMI, Aug. 9. (FNS) — The dream of a Miami lawyer inventor, who for 17 years has been working of the problem, is about to be realized: safety for airplane travelers through the use of detachable airplane cabins which float to earth on parachutes. Robert M. Thompson reported last week that a New York concern is showing live interest in his invention and that Dr. John B. Crane, director of research of the Glenn L. Martin Aircraft Co., Baltimore, has asked that a model be sent him.

First patents on Thompson's parachute lowered airplane cabins

was issued July 28, 1933, although he holds other patents issued as far back as Nov. 20, 1929 for lowering supplies and equipment from airplanes by parachute.

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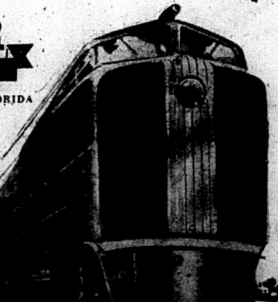
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